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SUBJ: TUNISIAN VIEWS ON MIDDLE EAST CEASEFIRE

1. MAHMOUD MESTIRI, WHO SLATED REPLACE RACHID DRISS AS TUNISIAN PREFMREP, TOLD DELOFF OCT 10 THAT MIDDLE EAST WAR, THOUGH TRAGIC, COULD PROVIDE NEW ELEMENT LEADING TO PEACE. HE SAID THAT TUNISIA WOULD BE PREPARED APPLY PRESSURE ON EGYPT AND SYRIA IN FAVOR OF UNCONDITIONAL CEASEFIRE, IF USG TOOK INITIATIVE ALONG THIS LINE. HE HOPED THAT US WOULD TAKE SUCH INITIATIVE.

2. ACCORDING TO MESTIRI, EGYPT HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO INITIATE HOSTILITIES PRIMARILY FOR INTERNAL REASONS. (HE ADDED THAT SYRIA'S MOTIVES MIGHT BE MORE QUESTIONABLE.)

3. MESTIRI CONFIRMED THAT HE HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN NAMED AS NEW AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON, BUT NOW "PROBABLY" WOULD REPLACE DRISS. IN ANY CASE, DRISS WILL DEFINITELY LEAVE.
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